

## Message Text

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ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 EA-10 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05  
H-01 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 SP-02  
SS-15 ICA-11 IO-13 SAA-01 SES-02 /102 W  
-----084156 131353Z /45

R 130641Z AUG 78  
FM AMEMBASSY KABUL  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9519  
INFO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD  
AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI  
USLO PEKING  
AMEMBASSY TEHRAN  
CINCPAC

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PEPR, AF, PK  
SUBJECT: AFGHAN MEDIA NOTE RETURN OF MIG-17 FROM PAKISTAN

REF: ISLAMABAD 7863

1. ON AUGUST 10, KABUL RADIO BROKE THE AFGHAN MEDIA'S  
PREVIOUS SILENCE ON THE AFGHAN AIR FORCE MIG-17 WHICH  
LANDED IN PAKISTAN ON AUGUST 7 (REFTEL). NOTING THAT THE  
AIRCRAFT HAD BEEN FORCED TO LAND AT THE PAKISTANI FIELD  
"BECAUSE OF BAD WEATHER, A TECHNICAL DEFECT, AND A SHORTAGE  
OF FUEL," THE ANNOUNCEMENT ADDED THAT THE MIG HAD RETURNED  
TO ITS BASE EARLIER THAT DAY.

2. COMMENT: THROUGH THIS ROUTINE ANNOUNCEMENT, THE  
AFGHAN GOVERNMENT MIGHT BE TRYING TO PROVIDE SOME PROPAGANDA  
BALANCE TO THE RECURRENT LOCAL RUMORS OF DEFECTIONS BY  
AFGHAN PILOTS.

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DUBS

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## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 jan 1994  
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**Concepts:** FIGHTER AIRCRAFT, PRESS COMMENTS  
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**Decaption Date:** 01 jan 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
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**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
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